

DISTRICT VI ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, November 15, 2000
7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Recreation Center
2700 N. Woodland

Members Present

John Van Walleghe
Bob Schreck
Tony Rangel
Sharon Fearey
Bickley Foster
Doratheia Sloan
Linda Matney
Veronica Casados
Wendell Turner

Members Absent

Clarence Wiley
Greg Chinn

Guests

Listed at end of minutes

Council Member Cole called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Council Member Cole welcomed guests and asked DAB members to introduce him or herself and identify the area or association represented.

-- Approval of Minutes

After introductions were complete, **Council Member Cole** asked for approval of the November 6, 2000 minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted. (Schreck/Matney 7-0)

Member Fearey arrived at 7:12 p.m.

-- Approval of Agenda

Council Member Cole asked to approve modifies or amends to the agenda presented. **Cole** asked to add 1) Rosalie Bradley, North Riverside Neighborhood Association to speak under *Public Agenda* about the bridge over the floodway; 2) Item 2 KDOT program will include (2a) Representatives from North Riverside Neighborhood Association will also give a report on this subject; and 3) Item 6 –Update on Azteka Entertainment and Restaurant. Amendments to the Agenda were approved. (Foster/Schreck 8-0)

Member Rangel arrived at 7:15 p.m.

Public Agenda

Rosalie Bradley stated that an organization was forming to stop the bridge over the floodway along 13th Street. The group would like to support the idea of a 21st Street bridge over the floodway. This would improve economic development along this corridor. A petition has been initiated and is being passed around. The plan is to take the petition to City Hall around the first of December, so it can be presented to the City Council.

COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Staff presentation on Plan for Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)

Matt Jordan, City Manager's Office, presented the CIP plan 2001-2010 presently being reviewed. *Steve Lackey, Public Works; Jay Newton, Finance; Doug Kupper, Parks and Recreation* were also present to answer any questions that may arise.

Mr. Jordan explained from the overview mailed to the DAB previous to tonight's meeting shows the CIP has revision updates to the plan adopted in 1999.

The proposed CIP is not intended to be a complete revamping of the ten-year program, but a major revision over the next three years, 2001-2003. Staff will complete a comprehensive review of the full ten-year program next year. Citizen involvement will be included.

Some of the issues that DAB Members for District VI were concerned with are:

- Fire station on North Meridian
- Improvements to Riverside Park
- Why is money being spent on the Airport when usage is down?
- How to include new projects to the CIP
- Railroad tracks

Council Member Cole stated that a good faith effort is made in allocating money for each district in a fair and equitable manner.

Recommendation: Motion to Receive and file. (Schreck/Matney 9-0)

2. Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) Program

Alan Morrison, Associate Planner, presented proposed bicycle/pedestrian and scenic/environmental projects for submission to KDOT for FY 2003.

- I-135/Chisholm Drainageway Shared Roadway and Path (McAdams Park to Grove Park)
- I -135/Gypsum Creek Shared Use Path (Stafford-Wassall-George Washington Blvd.)
- Little Arkansas N. Riverside Path (13th/Ferrell to 21st/Amidon)

Mr. Morrison stated that letters of support needed to be sent to the KDOT to seek assistance in funding these projects. These letters need to be initiated by the community.

2a) **Bill Reaser, North Riverside Neighborhood Association**, spoke about a proposal for T-21 grant money, that been put together by his association to support the pathway. The pathway would go from 13th Street Bridge and follow west to the Little Arkansas River bank. Then it would follow behind St. Patrick's parish and continue the contour of river along Twin Lakes Bank to 21st and Porter. The two landowners that are affected are supportive of the plan. **Mr. Reaser** would like to resubmit the proposal and get support from other Neighborhood associations in the area.

Recommendation: Motion was made for the DAB VI to prepare a letter of support for the pathway. The letter will be drafted by Sharon Fearey and brought to the December 4th DAB meeting for the members to review. (Foster/VanWalleghen 9-0)

Break for five minutes at 8:20 p.m.

3. **Commercial and Recreational Vehicles**

Amend parking ordinance to prohibit commercial and recreational vehicles from being parked on the street in residential areas for periods in excess of two hours.

Council Member Cole stated that this recommendation came from Council Member Lambke due to problems with large trucks parked in residential areas for days at a time. Some districts may not have this problem.

Member Matney stated that recreational vehicles should not be included in this ordinance. Family could come to visit in their RV and not be able to stay longer than two hours.

Member Sloan asked what kind of commercial vehicles was the ordinance referring to? U-haul trailers; semi trucks or 18-wheelers?

Member Fearey commented would it be necessary to have a permit system for recreational vehicles that come to visit in residences for more than two hours?

Recommendation: Motion to recommend that recreational vehicles be removed from the parking ordinance. No two-hour time limit for recreational vehicles. (Schreck/VanWalleghen 9-0)

4. **Engine Compression Release Brakes (Jake Brakes)**

Residents have expressed concerns to the City regarding the use of "Jake brakes," engine compression release brakes, used on some diesel trucks. The issue is related to the noise caused by the truck reducing its speed in order to stop at an intersection, interchange, or turnpike tollbooth. Consequently, residents in the adjacent neighborhoods are disturbed by the frequent loud noise emitted by the braking system.

Recommendation: DAB VI made a motion to recommend that City Council not adopt the ordinance of Jake Brakes at this time. (Fearey/Casados 9-0)

OTHER BUSINESS

5. **Problem Properties**

North West corner of 13th street and Park Place (1401) Duplex/possible no trash service. Lots of trash in back yard.

6. **Azteka Restaurant and Entertainment**

Member Fearey was present at the MAPC hearing when this was presented. Also present in opposition of this request were *Lola Howard, North Riverbend Neighborhood Association; Fran Crawley, Wichita Independent Neighborhoods; and Carla Smith, Cloud Elementary principal.*

Member Fearey stated that there was good discussion as to why a restaurant would want to seat 700 people. The request was denied. A small restaurant could be made in this facility. What was requested for this building should not be in neighborhood or close to a school.

Motion was made to have one meeting in December. (Fearey/Vanwalleghen. 9-0)

Meeting dates for January 2001 will be Monday 1-8-01 and Wednesday 1-17-01

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal, District VI Neighborhood Assistant

Guests:

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wine 1402 N. Doris Cir. 67212

Elizabeth Kertz

Bill Reaser

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George Cannady

Rosalie Bradley